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WHITMORE & COA An Important Change in the Cubas Army.

The New York Journal of Commerce learns from a gentleman who is in a position to know what is going on among the Coban revolutionists that an important change has been made in the command of the liberating army. Ged. Cospedes, of the liberating army. Ged. Cospedes, President of the Cuban Republic, has taken the field in person as commander of all the forces, and Gen. Jordan, who recently held that position, is made chief of Cespedes' staff. The editor says:

If this statement is correct, it posses-

securing Gen. Jordan's valuable services in a place where they will all still be available, while it appeals with fresh power to the patriotism and pride of the Cubans. To give the chief command of the insurgenta to a foreigner-although that for lener is an American, and a soldier of great talents—seemed to imply a want of military skill among the Cubans themselves, which prejudiced some people against them. Probably one object in conferring so high an office upon General Jordan was to increase the number of American enlistments, but this has not succeeded to the extent expected. But succeeded to the extent expected. But few expeditions have been able to get away from the United States ports since General Jerdan took command, and the Cabaus here been obliged to depend for the most part spon themselves. Re-cently, it Cuban advices are to be trusted, they have railled in great pumtreated, they have railied in great pumbers to the revolutionary flag, and now seem quite able to conquer their hereditary enemies without the sid of American soldiers. General Cespedes, by plasing himself at the head of the army, may have intended to signalize this fact and to cause a general rising or the Cuban population all over the island. But whatever sympathy and pid would have been extended from individuals in this country to General Jordan will still go to General Cespedes.

The story of the mutiny on board the United States frigate Subine has at last received an authoritative denial from an officer of that vessel. The wife of Lieutevant Commander Byan raceived letters from her husband on Monday, written after the arrival of the Sabine at Liabon, in one of which he says: "There has been a most ridiculous canard published about us in a Paris paper, which I suppose has, ere this, been telegraphed home—something about the discovery of a conspiracy to blow up the ship, and the hanging of seven men. In whose fertile brain the story originated I cannot imagine. Nothing has occurred to give it the slightest foundation."

The earthquake predictions of Herr Fall, a German astronomer, were not only firmly believed in Peru, where, at the time fixed, many of the inhabitants remayed from the cities into the plains, but obtained stadence in Europe, where a large number of ships bound from Bremen and Hamburg to South America were detained until news arrived of the non-fulfilment of the prophecy. The prognostications were certainly of a most alarming character, as it was predicted prognostications ware percainty of a most alarming character, as it was predicted that the whole continent of South Amer-ics would cramble late dust. It has been suggested that the Emperor Napoleon III, whose death in 1869 has been pre-dicted by many prophets, may console dicted by many prophets, may console rings of the failure of Herr Fall's cal-plations.—Philadelphia Ledger.

flowers are arranged in the most artistic and tasteful manner.

A most elegant pavilion, brilliantly lighted, holds a large musical band, that fills the air with the sweetest strains. Seats are provided for the thousands of the fashionable from all lands who resort to the grounds. On the exterior of the edifice there are three signs. At the left, "Restauration;" in the ceuter, "Conversation;" at the right, "Libraire." Certainly, very innocent words! At the door, under the first, one may obtain refreshment if weary and hungry. Here his physical nature may receive "reahis physical nature may receive "restauration." At the middle door he is

tauration." At the middle door he is invited to the benefits and pleasures of "conversation." He can converse with princes or blacklegs, with virtuous or vicious women, as he chooses.

In this hall are the gambling tables. At these there is no "conversation." Nothing is said: deeds only. The wheel turns, and the little white ball that decides fortunes and destinies, flies rapidly around. The victims place their silver cides fortunes and destinies, flies rapidly around. The victims place their silver and gold upon the numbers and squares on the table, and wait with the deepest anxiety for the ball to lodge in a particular cell. Gray-headed men and fashionable ladies, as well as young men, crowd around the tables to try their fortunes.

Of the amount successively placed upon the tables, I should judge from two-thirds to three-quarters were swept into the vortex of the bank. A few dollars would be here or there thrown to the outsiders, and oppasionally a gold piece, but

would be here or there thrown to the out-siders, and occasionally a gold piece, but the lion's share went into the pockets of the proprietor. If this is the result of mere chance, I should like to see the This institution is rented by the Government to a company for \$5000 a year and a stipulation to expend in addition

258,000 flories on the walks and buildings. Everything in and around them ndicates a profusion of wealth. If the gambling were fairly conducted upon the doctrine of chance it is reasonable to suppose that in the long run the proprictor would lose as much as he gained. Whence, then, come his immense profits? The only inference that we can draw from the facts in the case and from the course which other gamblers pursue is that the company pay the Government more than \$100,000 annually for the privilege of swindling the people of Europe, and, with the swindling, poisoning the minds and blasting the hopes of young men, hardening gray-haired sinners and adding to the prefligacy of profligate women. And what shall we ay of a Government that fills its treasury and fattens upon this villainy?
We have been accustomed to regard a government as established to make and execute just laws, to promote the interests and protect the rights of the people.

But here is a government in the midst of enlightened Europe, in the middle of the nineteenth century, kept, in a measure, alive and vigorous by the spoils gathered night after night at this splendid gate-way, through which men and women are allured to wio, through which souls hearallured to win, to rough water acuts hearing find's image go down to exertasting perdition. If there is any power in Europe, or on God's sarth, to sweep this gambling hell out of existence, that power ought to be exercised. Those false words, these enticing lies, "Restauration," these enticing lies, "Restauration,"
"Conversation, "Libraire," cught to
be instantly obliterated. These frescoed
and gilded wails should be leveled to the
dust and ground to powder. The musical dust and ground to powder. The musical hand cright to be forced to play their last dirge over the ruins of this palace of the "King of Darkness". Or, if the edifice is permitted to remain, the signs in it ought to be changed for "Destruction," "Death in Sitenes," and "Intellectual Ruin," that the throngs at this waipring place may know whither they are going when they pass the threshold of these fatal doors. Little are parents in America aware to what their sons are exposed who come here to make the usual fluropean tour, which includes Haden-Haden.

As I stood at one of the tables last evening I was startled to see a young man

As I stood at one of the tables last evening I was startled to see a young man well known to me rapidly taking Napoleons from his pocket, placing them upon the table, and as rapidly losing them. Disappointed at his want of success, he got a gold piece changed into silver, and then placed these singly on the table. He won one piece about the value of a dollar, but lost I know not how many Napoleons (a Napoleon being four many Napoleons (a Napoleon being four dollars of our money). I left my posi-tion to go to him and warn him of his tion to go to him and warn him of his dasger; but before I reached him he withdrew, and was lost to my sight in the crowd. I sought to find him, but to vain. This young man belongs to a wealthy family in the highest social rank to one of our cities, and sould his father, mother and sisters have stood at the point which I occupied and seen one upon whom they had lavished every savantage and the warmest affections thus caught in the same of this samptaneas temptation, they would note with every friend of virtue and humanity in the desire for its destruction. In the case of this young man his metive for gambling could not have

Letter from Rev. R. W. Clark, D. D., Albany, N. Y., now in turope, published in the New York Observer-Old School Presbyterian—September 16 J.

Last evening I went to the famous gambling rooms here. Everything in the New York Observer own to the famous fascinations around him had taken capgambling rooms here. Everything in the New York Observer own to the famous fascinations around him had taken capgambling rooms here. Last evening I went to the famous gambling rooms here. Everything in and around them is made as attractive bartering away every good principle for gold there is probably no gateway to bell so magnificently and beautifully decorated. The grounds, walks, trees and flowers are arranged in the most artistic and tasteful manner.

Strange Development, From the Cambridge ([il.) Chronicle, Sept. 22,] Our readers will remember that we publishet, on the 14th of July last, the notice of Josiah Dow, public administrator upon the estate of Aza A. Lee, trator upon the estate of Az A. Lee, deceased, and accompanied it with an editorial paragraph, stating the facts of Captain Lee's death in battle, during the siege of Knoxville; his long residence and respectable position in this county; the mysterious reserve that he had always maintained here with reference to his former life and connections; and the dilemma respecting the disposition of his real property, under the laws of Illinois, consequent upon the absence of any

consequent upon the absence of any known heirs to the estate. The consequences resulting from the publication of that paragraph were more important than we had anticipated, and strikingly illustrative of what far-reach ing importance a newspaper paragraph may be, even through the medium of a local journal in the interior of a different

Among the papers that we send to the East is one to the father of Mr. Patten, of this village, who lives at Canadia, N. H. He saw 'the paragraph, and, happening to know a man whose sister's husband, named Lee, had mysteriously disappeared, many years previously, he called the gentleman's attention to it. The man corresponded exactly. Investigabrother, whose name is Nathaniel B. Hall, then came to this county, and put in a claim on benalf of his sister, as beir to the estate. He exhibited a daguerreo type of Captzin Lee, which Judge Hin-man readily recognized, though evidently taken when he was several years younger than he appeared here. Among the other proofs offered, was evidence of the facts of the marriage of Aza A. Lee and Miss Hall, in the State of Maine, their subsequent removal to the State of New York, and his desertion of his wife and disappearance from there, because of business embarrassments-since which not the slightest clue to his whereabouts had ever been gained by his family, who mourned him as dead. the general supposition having been that he had drowned himself. His disappearance there was in 1855, and must have made his way directly to Illi-nois, as be appeared here at about that time. He lived in Anawan and Alba townships, in this county, both of which he represented on the Board of Super-visors, receiving several re-elections. He acquired some property, and was esteemed, we are told, for intelligence and probity—always somewhat qualified, however, by the mystery hanging over his former life. When the 112th regi-ment of Illinois volunteers was organiged, he went with it as Lieutenant in Capt. Dow's company (A), and; on the promotion of Capt. Dow to Major, Lieut. Lee rose to the rank of Captain, and was killed, as related, during the siege of Knoxville.

The deserted wife, left without means, had made her way back to New England, where she has latterly maintained herself by working in the Manchester cotton mills. Now, however, by our fortunate publication of the facts in relation to his life here, she finds berself suddenly restored to property that she ought, of right, to have shared through all these years—the County Court here having acyears-the County Court here having actory. The estate, after administration, consists of forty acres of land in Albs, and \$300 to \$400 of personal property. Besides, there is due her from the goveroment, in back pay and pensions, over \$1500, and the pension due a Captain's widow, during her widowhood.

"Look at the ragged hem of your dress, my dear; why don't you bind it over I' said a thrifty mamma to her careless daughter. "I intend doing so, ma."
"Then do it at once, or we shall have words." "Oh, no mamma, dear," replied the silly young lady, "I promise to bind it over to keep the peace."

Berlin contains 13,011 private houses and 645 buildings for other purposes. The former are built in separate flats, as in Scotland, and are divided into 155,611 dwellings, including 14,992 cellars (or rather more than one to each house), in which the poorer families live and gene-rally carry on some trade or business.

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